

CDBG SURVEY YEAR: 11

SURVEY NO.: B-3682

AREA: Middle East

MAGI NO.: 0436828504

ADDRESS: 411 North Chester Street
CURRENT NAME:

BLOCK: LOT:

HEIGHT: 2

CONDITION: Fair

LOT SIZE:

MATERIALS: Brick

OWNER:

ADDRESS:

ACCESSIBLE:

LIBER/FOLIO:



HISTORIC NAME:

DATE: ca. 1875

ARCHITECT/BUILDER:

STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE):

DESCRIPTION: 411 North Chester Street is a 2 bay, 2 story, with a raised basement, brick rowhouse located on the east side of Chester Street, in the center of the block, between Jefferson and Orleans Street, in the Middle East Planning District in east Baltimore, Maryland. One of the 2 bays of the basement floor is located unsymmetrically at the center of the building. The rowhouse is completely covered in formstone, including the front steps, and the cornice has been removed. The cornice is still visible, however, on the flanking houses. The door and windows have also been removed. The window fenestrations are long and rectangular. The door and windows all have formstone segmental arches with raised capstones and formstone sills. The connecting southern house has decorative brickwork and it is possible that similar work exists beneath the formstone of 411.

SIGNIFICANCE:

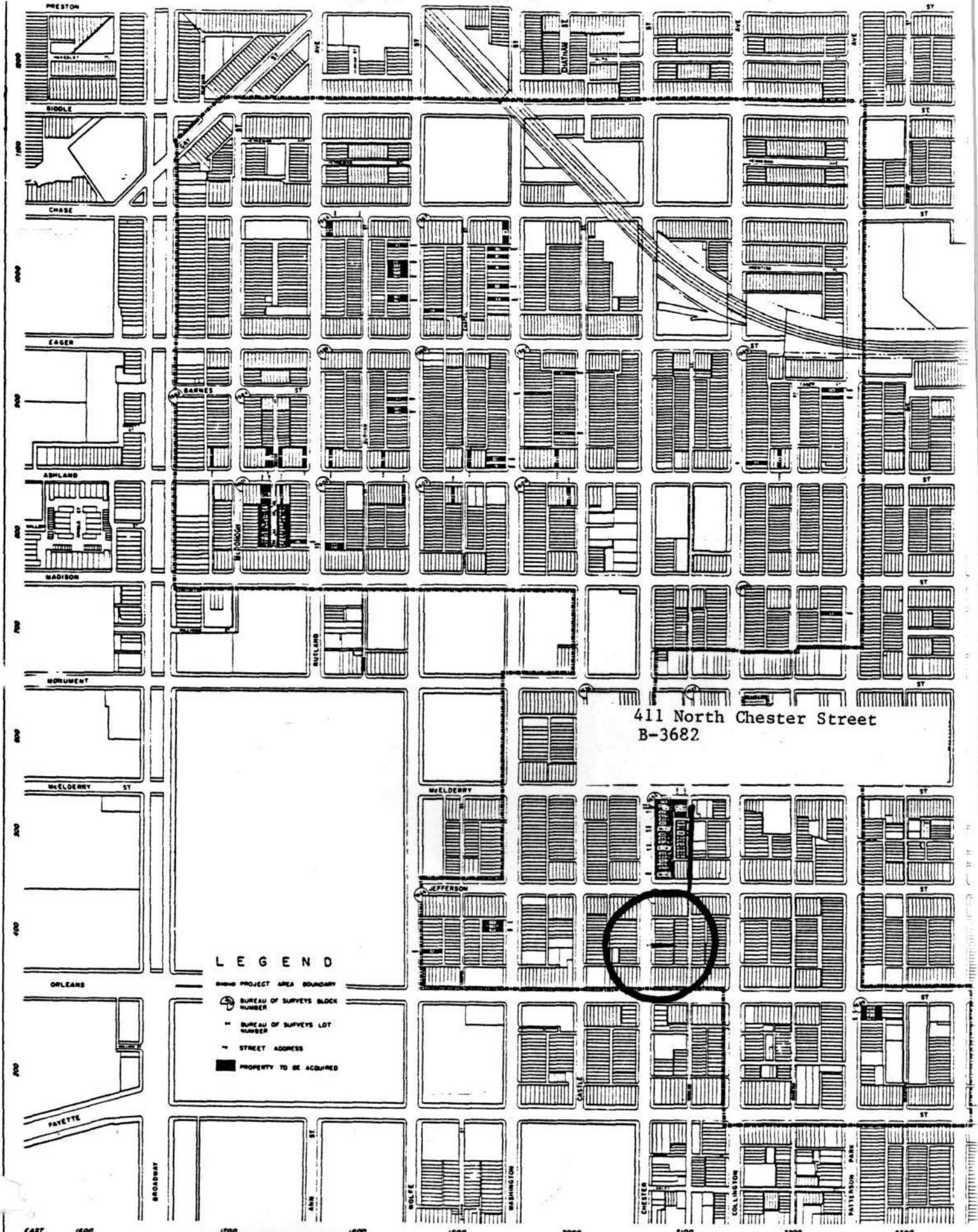
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LEVEL: Local

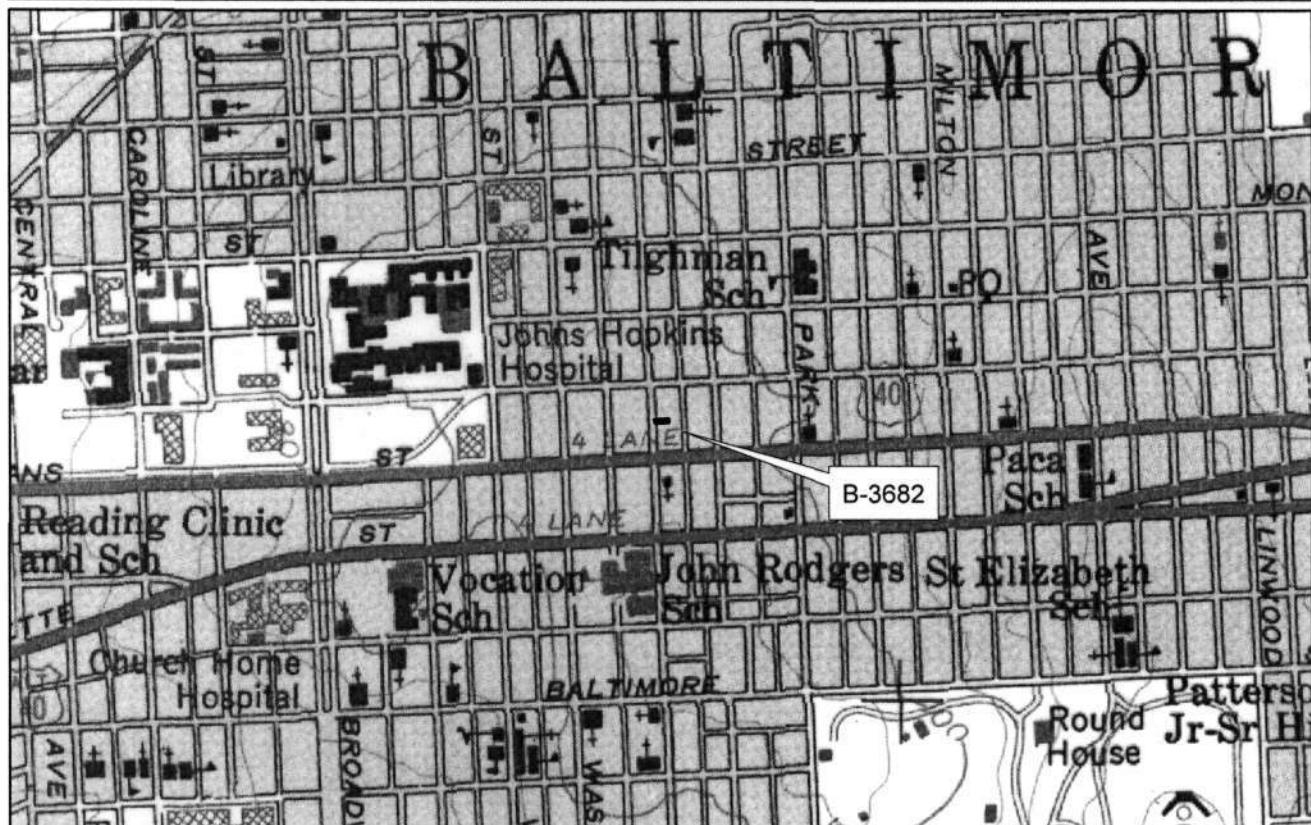
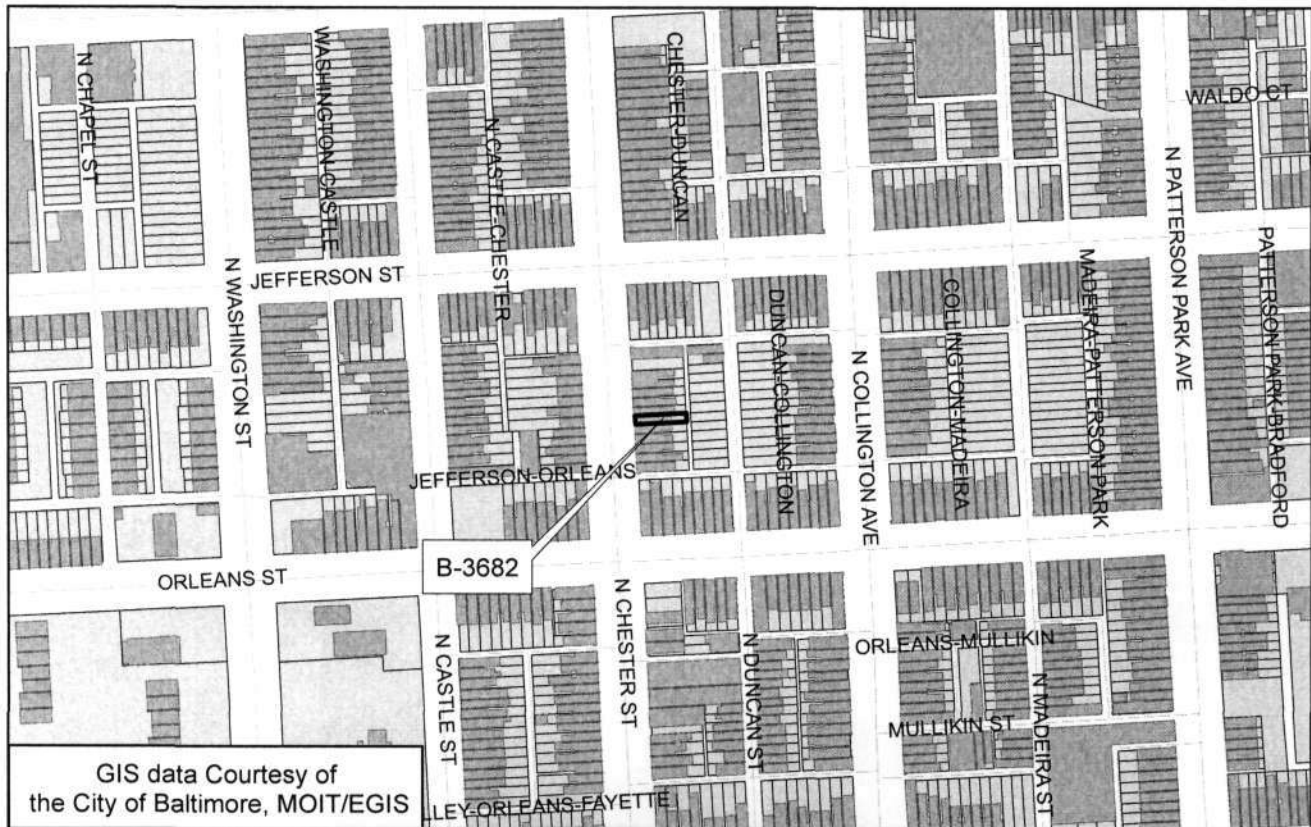
411 North Chester Street would be considered eligible for the National Register within the context of its neighborhood, a district of undetermined boundaries. It is an example of the traditional Baltimore rowhouse form which dominated the city's building pattern into the twentieth century. The building is located northeast of the proposed Washington Hill City District and is encircled by the East Baltimore/Butchers Hill eligible area. This area developed during the later half of the nineteenth century as the communities of Washington Hill and Butchers Hill grew and fused forming a pattern of continuous urban development in east Baltimore. Washington Hill evolved as the early community of Fells Point grew and expanded north. Butchers Hill developed as an independent tradesmen's village centered around the Philadelphia Road, which provided easy access to both the outlying farms and the city markets. The Poppleton map of 1851 indicates that the land on which this block of Chester is located was owned by W.E. Mayhew and Miller. On the Sachse Bird's Eye View of 1869 there is no development yet on the odd side of the 400 block. However, there are structures directly across the street to the west, on the even side of the block. Unlike the later homogeneous planned suburban communities these earlier unplanned neighborhoods were a mixture of peoples. All living in the same type of dwelling--the rowhouse, although

SOURCES: of different sizes and on different streets.**SURVEYOR AND DATE:** Mary K. Mannix

Sources: CHAP files: Landon, Philip J., "Washington Hill A Brief History": Poppleton Map of 1851; Sachse Bird's Eye View of Baltimore of 1869.



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411 N. Chester Street
Block 1669 Lot 006
Baltimore City
Baltimore East Quad





411 North Chester Street B-3682
Baltimore (City), Maryland

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Neg. Loc.: Maryland Historical
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East elevation

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